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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) <u>A [[S]]sensing</u> device for sensing a physical parameter—such as radiation, temperature or the like, comprising:
 - an analogue sensor element sensitive for the physical parameter to be sensed and outputting an analogue signal and
 - an analogue two digital analogue-to-digital converter (ADC) having a[[n]] MOS input stage for receiving the analogue output signal of the sensor element so as to convert the analogue output signal to a digital output signal.
- wherein the analogue sensor element is passive infra-red sensor element and
- wherein the ADC has a different MOS input stage to which the output terminals of the passive infra-red sensor element are directly connected.

2. - 11. (Canceled)

- 12. (New) The sensing device according to claim 1, wherein the output of the ADC is connected to a digital feedback logic in turn connected to a digital-to-analogue converter (DAC) the output signal of which is added to the output signal of the analogue sensor element.
- 13. (New) The sensing device according to claim 1, wherein the ADC is a sigma-delta-converter comprising an integrator and a comparator connected in series to each other.
- 14. (New) The sensing device according to claim 1, further comprising a decimation filter receiving the output signal of the ADC.

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- 15. (New) The sensing device according to claim 1, further comprising a compensation temperature sensor for sensing ambient temperature.
- 16. (New) The sensing device according to claim 1, further comprising a lens for selecting a direction from which radiation can be received by the analogue sensor element so as to be sensed.
- 17. (New) The sensor device according to claim 1, further comprising a single line output providing the digital output signal for transmitting to a signal processing unit.
- 18. (New) The sensing device of claim 7, wherein the signal processing unit comprises a microcontroller.
- 19. (New) The sensing device of claim 1, wherein the physical parameter comprises radiation.
- 20. (New) The sensing device of claim 1, wherein the physical parameter comprises temperature.